

patients with anthrax and other rarely encountered diseases are often initially diagnosed incorrectly. In addition, public health laboratories need the training, the equipment and the personnel to identify biological weapons as quickly as possible.

In Boston, a recently installed electronic communication system will enable physicians to report unusual symptoms rapidly to local health officials, so that an attack could be identified quickly. Too often, however, as a CDC report has stated: "Global travel and commerce can move microbes around the world at jet speed, yet our public health surveillance systems still rely on a 'Pony Express' system of paper-based reporting and telephone calls."

To improve the treatment of victims of a bioterrorist attack, we must strengthen our hospitals and emergency medical plans. Boston, New York and a few other communities have plans to convert National Guard armories and other public buildings into temporary medical facilities, and other communities need to be well prepared too. Even cities with extensive plans need more resources to ensure that those plans will be effective when they are needed.

To improve containment, we must make certain that federal supplies of vaccines and antibiotics are available quickly to assist local public health officials in preventing the disease from spreading.

Developing new medical resources for the future is also essential. Scientists recently reported that they had determined the complete DNA sequence of the microbe that causes plague. This breakthrough may allow new treatments and vaccines to be developed against this ancient disease scourge. We should use the remarkable skills of our universities and biotechnology companies to give us new and better treatments in the battle against bioterrorism.

September 11 was a turning point in America's history. Our challenge now is to do everything we can to learn from that tragic day, and prepare effectively for the future.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1861. Mr. BREAUX proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, to improve aviation security, and for other purposes.

SA 1862. Mr. TORRICELLI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1855 submitted by Mr. DASCHLE and intended to be proposed to the bill (S. 1447) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1863. Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1864. Mr. MURKOWSKI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1865. Mr. HOLLINGS (for Mr. INOUE) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1866. Mr. HOLLINGS (for Mr. ROCKEFELLER) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1867. Mr. HOLLINGS (for Mr. ROCKEFELLER) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1868. Mr. HOLLINGS (for Mr. ROCKEFELLER) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1869. Mrs. FEINSTEIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1870. Mr. DOMENICI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1871. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1872. Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1873. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. KOHL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1874. Mr. SMITH, of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BURNS, Mr. THURMOND, and Mr. CRAPO) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1875. Mr. BURNS (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. DEWINE, and Mrs. BOXER) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1876. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. DOMENICI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1877. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. CLELAND) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1878. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. THOMPSON) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1879. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Mr. DURBIN)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1880. Mr. HOLLINGS (for Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. BYRD, and Mr. SHELBY)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1881. Mr. MCCAIN proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1882. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1883. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1884. Mr. KERRY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1885. Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. INHOFE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1447, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1886. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. ENZI (for himself and Mr. DORGAN)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1887. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mrs. HUTCHISON) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1888. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mrs. HUTCHISON) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1889. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. INHOFE) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1890. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. INHOFE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1891. Mr. HOLLINGS (for Mr. FEINGOLD) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1892. Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1893. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. INHOFE) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1894. Mr. HOLLINGS (for Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1895. Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1896. Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. ALLEN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, supra.

SA 1897. Mr. MCCAIN (for Mr. JEFFORDS) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1858 submitted by Mr. HOLLINGS and intended to be proposed to the bill (S. 1447) supra.

SA 1898. Mr. ALLEN (for himself and Mr. WARNER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1532, to provide for the payment of emergency extended unemployment compensation; which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

SA 1899. Mr. FEINGOLD proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1510, to deter and punish terrorist acts in the United States and around the world, to enhance law enforcement investigatory tools, and for other purposes.

SA 1900. Mr. FEINGOLD proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1510, supra.

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TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1861. Mr. BREAUX proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1447, to improve aviation security, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . LESS-THAN-LETHAL WEAPONRY FOR FLIGHT DECK CREWS.

(a) NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE STUDY.—The National Institute of Justice shall assess the range of less-than-lethal weaponry available for use by a flight deck crewmember temporarily to incapacitate an individual who presents a clear and present danger to the safety of the aircraft, its passengers, or individuals on the ground and report its findings and recommendations to the Secretary of Transportation within 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

Section 44903 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(h) AUTHORITY TO ARM FLIGHT DECK CREW WITH LESS-THAN-LETHAL WEAPONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary, after receiving the recommendations of the National Institute of Justice, determines, with the approval of the Attorney General and the Secretary of State, that it is appropriate and necessary and would effectively serve the public interest in avoiding air piracy, the Secretary may authorize members of the flight deck crew on any aircraft providing air transportation or intrastate air transportation to carry a less-than-lethal weapon while the aircraft is engaged in providing such transportation.

“(2) USAGE.—If the Secretary grants authority under paragraph (1) for flight deck crew members to carry a less-than-lethal weapon while engaged in providing air transportation or intrastate air transportation, the Secretary shall—

“(A) prescribe rules requiring that any such crew member to trained in the proper use of the weapon; and

“(B) prescribe guidelines setting forth the circumstances under which such weapons may be used.”.